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SUBJ: "TECHNOLOGY FOR THE AMERICAN HOME": SEMINAR ACTIVITY

REF: NALLE/HOFFMAN TELCON APRIL 17

1. IN DISCUSSIONS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY IN MOSCOW, HUD TEAM AND SOVIET OFFICIALS ARE PREPARING DRAFT "MEMORANDUM OF IMPLEMENTATION OF AGREEMENT" FOR FIRST ANNUAL MEETING OF JOINT US-USSR COMMITTEE ON COOPERATION IN FIELD OF HOUSING AND OTHER CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULED FOR JUNE, 1975 IN WASHINGTON. DURING MEETINGS WITH EMBASSY OFFICERS, HEAD OF HUD DELEGATION, MR. WAYNE GERTMENIAN, OFFERED TO PROPOSE FOR INCLUSION IN THIS DRAFT MEMORANDUM A PARAGRAPH COVERING "TECHNOLOGY FOR AMERICAN HOME" SEMINARS AS A WAY OF INTEGRATING TO FULLEST POSSIBLE DEGREE ALL US EFFORTS IN USSR RELATING TO SUBJECT OF THE AGREEMENT.

2. EMBASSY BELIEVES THIS A VERY USEFUL PROPOSITION BECAUSE IT WOULD A) PROVIDE A FORMAL LINK BETWEEN THE SUMMIT AGREEMENT AND THE TAH SEMINARS, THEREBY ADDING TO THEIR PRESTIGE, AND B) HELP TO HEAD OFF POSSIBLE CONFUSION WITHIN GOSSTROY ABOUT BEING APPROACHED ON SIMILAR SUBJECTS FROM TWO SEPARATE US ORGANIZATIONS AT SAME TIME.

3. FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF PARAGRAPH BEING SUGGESTED BY EMBASSY TO HUD TEAM:

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"THE TWO SIDES AGREE TO COOPERATE IN AND GIVE SUPPORT TO THE

SEMINAR ACTIVITY THAT IS BEING CARRIED OUT UNDER THE JOINT SPONSORSHIP OF THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN MOSCOW AND THE STATE COMMITTEE FOR CONSTRUCTION AFFAIRS IN CONNECTION WITH THE US EXCHANGE EXHIBIT, 'TECHNOLOGY FOR THE AMERICAN HOME.' THESE SEMINARS ARE DESIGNED TO BRING TOGETHER AMERICAN AND SOVIET SPECIALISTS IN DISCUSSIONS AND EXCHANGES OF INFORMATION ON A VARIETY OF PRACTICAL SUBJECTS RELATED TO HOUSING AND HOUSING CONSTRUCTION. THEY WILL USEFULLY SUPPLEMENT THE ACTIVITIES OF THE WORKING GROUPS OPERATING UNDER THIS AGREEMENT."

4. REQUEST ADVISE RE ACCEPTABILITY THIS PROPOSAL AND/OR WORDING OF ABOVE TEXT BEFORE COB WASHINGTON TIME APRIL 18.
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